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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before the above-captioned application is taken up for examination, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, after the title, insert

## -- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of U.S. application no. 09/068,822 filed on May 14, 1998, which is a 371 national application of PCT/DK96/00106 filed on March 18, 1996, which claims priority to Danish application 275/95 filed March 17, 1995, the contents of which are fully incorporated herein by reference.--

Respectfully submitted,

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